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#### Transmittal Letter

# Request for Continuation-in-Part Application under 37 CFR 1.53(b)(2) Plural Inventors

#### **BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Washington, D.C. 20231

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Dear Sir:

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Applicants hereby request the filing of a continuation-in-part application in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)(2).

#### Enclosed are:

- 1. This Transmittal Form including Fee Authorization and a duplicate for fee processing.
- 2. A Specification having a total of twenty (20) pages, including a one (1) page Abstract and twenty (20) claims.
- 3. Nine (9) sheets of drawings along with a Petition to Accept Photographs.
  - 4. A fully-executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.
  - 5. An assignment of this invention, including a 37 CFR 3.73(b) statement, to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. and completed Form PTO 1595 Recordation Form Cover Sheet. Please charge the \$40.00 assignment recording fee, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.21(h), to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875.



Please amend the specification of this application by inserting, at the beginning thereof, the following:

-- This application is a continuation-in-part of application serial number 09/290,323 entitled AN ABSORBENT MEMBER EXHIBITING EXCEPTIONAL EXPANSION PROPERTIES WHEN WETTED and filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 12, 1999. The entirety of application serial number 09/290,323 is hereby incorporated by reference. --

The filing fee, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.16(a), (b), (c) and (d), has been calculated, after entry, if applicable, of any amendments, as follows:

Nun	nber Filed			Number Extra	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	20	20	=	0	x 18 (fee code 103)=	\$0.00
Independent Claims	4	-3	=	1	x 80 (fee code 102) =	\$80.00
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					Base Fee (fee code 101)	\$710.00
					TOTAL	\$790.00

Please charge Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875 for (1) the filing fee indicated in the TOTAL above; and (2) any patent application processing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

In the event the filing fee indicated in the TOTAL above has been incorrectly calculated, please charge any additional filing fee or credit any excess in the filing fee to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875.

Please address all correspondence to: Thomas J. Connelly, Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc., 401 North Lake Street, Neenah, Wisconsin 54957-0349.

This transmittal letter is submitted in duplicate.

The undersigned may be reached at telephone number (920) 721-2455 or fax number (920) 721-0279. Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR M. GENTILE ET AL.

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Attn: Official Draftsman							
Petition is hereby made to accept photographs as drawings in the above-identified application.							
The present application includes Figs. 1 through 12, in which Figs. 4 and 5 are photographs. One (1) photograph of Figs. 4 and 5 is submitted herewith. It is understood that 37 C.F.R. § 184(b)(1) has been waived to the extent that only a single set of photographs need be submitted with this petition.							
It is believed that the photographs are appropriate for the proper disclosure or protection of the invention.							
Please charge any prosecutional fees which are due to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. Deposit Account Number 11-0875.							
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Respectfully submitted,							
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